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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Nickoloff et a.

Application No. 09/944,849

Art Unit: 1646

Filed: August 31, 2001

Examiner: Claire M. Kaufman

For: METHOD AND REAGENTS FOR  
EPITHELIAL BARRIER FORMATION  
AND TREATMENT OF MALIGNANT  
AND BENIGN SKIN DISORDERS BY  
MODULATING THE NOTCH PATHWAY

**PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION  
OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

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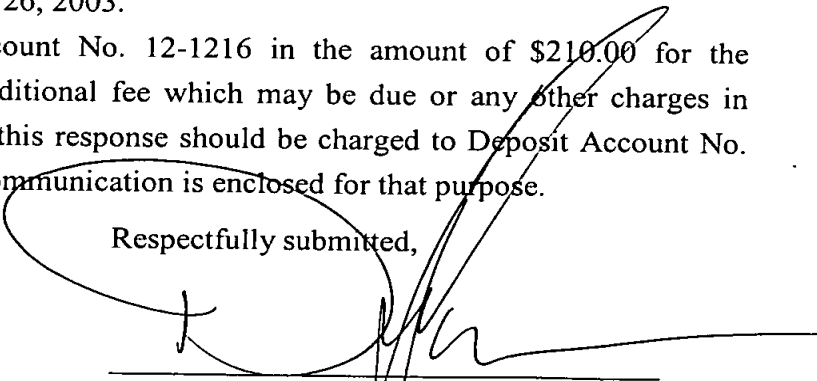
In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a), the undersigned attorney, on behalf of applicant(s), hereby petitions for a two-month extension of time to and including January 26, 2004, to file a response to the Office Action of August 26, 2003, which carried an original response date of November 26, 2003.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the amount of \$210.00 for the two-month extension fee. Any additional fee which may be due or any other charges in connection with the submission of this response should be charged to Deposit Account No. 12-1216. A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed for that purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

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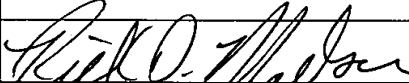
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Extension of Time Request (Revised 10/1/03)